

### Annual 47 C.F.R. § 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification

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Annual 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification for 2018 covering the prior calendar year 2017

- 1. Date filed: January 22, 2018
- 2. Name of company covered by this certification: CalTel Long Distance
- 3. Form 499 Filer ID: 821146
- 4. Name of signatory: James H. Tower
- 5. Title of signatory: President
- 6. Certification:

I, James H. Tower, certify that I am an officer of the company named above, and acting as an agent of the company, that I have personal knowledge that the company has established operating procedures that are adequate to ensure compliance with the Commission's CPNI rules. See-47 C.F.R § 64.2001 et seq.

Attached to this certification is an accompanying statement explaining how the company's procedures ensure that the company is in compliance with the requirements (including those mandating the adoption of CPNI procedures, training, recordkeeping, and supervisory review, set forth in section 64.2001 *et seq.* of the Commission's rules.

The company has not taken any actions (i.e., proceedings instituted or petitions filed by a company at either state commissions, the court system, or at the Commission against data brokers) against data brokers in the past year.

The company has not received customer complaints in the past year concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI.

The company represents and warrants that the above certification is consistent with 47 C.F.R § 1.17, which requires truthful and accurate statements to the Commission. The company also acknowledges that false statements and misrepresentations to the Commission are punishable under Title 18 of the U.S. Code and may subject it to enforcement action.

Signed

Attachment: Accompanying Statement explaining CPNI procedures

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# Accompanying Statement explaining CPNI procedures of CalTel Long Distance

CalTel Long Distance has established operating procedures to ensure compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's rules with respect to privacy and protection of Customer Proprietary Network Information ("CPNI"). The specific procedures taken include:

- CalTel Long Distance has promulgated a written policy requiring all
  employees to refrain from disclosure of CPNI without prior authorization of the
  departmental supervisor and customer authentication in the event of a customer
  request for CPNI.
- 2. CalTel Long Distance has obtained the written acknowledgement of all employees that they understand and agree to comply with the policy described in item # 1 above.
- 3. CalTel Long Distance has instituted a policy of providing training of all employees every other year so that they understand and are able to comply with the policy described in #1 above, and of requiring each employee to execute a new acknowledgement and agreement as described in item #2 above, on the same schedule every other year.
- 4. Each new employee receives the training and executes the acknowledgement and agreement described in item #3 above, before being permitted to access CPNI.
- 5. CalTel Long Distance places all computer terminals with the capability to access CPNI in areas where close supervision is possible.
- 6. CalTel Long Distance does not provide call detail record CPNI over the phone in the course of a customer initiated call.
- 7. All employees are required to document in writing all releases of call detail record CPNI, and the reason for the releases, whether the releases are to a customer, an affiliate, a contractor, or joint venture partner, or another entity.
- 8. CalTel Long Distance has adopted a written personnel policy stating that any employee releasing CPNI without authorization is subject to discipline up to and including termination of employment, and has advised each employee of that policy in writing.
- 9. CalTel Long Distance reviews all releases of call detail record CPNI no less frequently than once every month to ensure compliance with all policies and law.
- 10. CalTel Long Distance uses the opt-out system of obtaining customer consent for use of CPNI for marketing. Notices are sent to customers every other year and records of all notices and response are maintained securely. A record of all CPNI releases to third parties for marketing purposes is securely maintained, and such releases may be made only with the express approval of the employee's supervisor.

Additionally, CalTel Long Distance has promulgated training targeting supervisors, those employees with frequent public contact, and all employees to ensure a full and complete understanding of the importance of CPNI protections and to ensure full compliance with the law.

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As a follow up to all previous training for supervisors, customer service representatives and other employees, all employees have received online CPNI training and have passed an online test indicating an acceptable level of understanding of the importance of CPNI.

CalTel Long Distance received no customer complaints concerning disclosure of CPNI during the calendar year 2017. CalTel Long Distance took no action against any data brokers or pretexters during 2017.